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AMENDMENT

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2002. A Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), for a one-month extension of time, is also submitted herewith. A marked-up copy of the amendments is attached, with deletions indicated by brackets and additions indicated by underlining.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please delete paragraph [0006] and insert the following paragraph:

Furthermore, European Published Patent Application EP 0 925 997 A2 discloses a head restraint which is moved forwards in the event of a rear-end impact in order to intercept the vehicle occupant's head which is flung rearwards. To this end, at least one reservoir, which is filled with a flowable medium and is connected to a fillable element which is arranged in the head restraint, is arranged in the backrest of a vehicle seat, with the result that, in the event of a rear-end

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